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in re application of: Marcia L. Kalish et al.

Application No.: 10/552,182

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SIV TYPE RETROVIRUSES

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

This responds to the Office action mailed January 31, 2007. A one-month extension of time is hereby requested making the reply due on March 31, 2007. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 11.

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